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SUBJECT: AUG 7-8 SYRIAN MEDIA CRITICIZES ISRAELI AND EGYPTIAN LEADERS
FOR PLOTTING AGAINST LEBANON

1. AUG 7 SYRIAN MEDIA DENOUNCED EGYPTIAN AND ISRAELI
ACTIONS TOWARD LEBANON, REPORTED TELL ZAATAR EVACUATION
AND NOTED INABILITY OF ASF TO ENFORCE ORDER. PRESS HEAD-
LINED: "RABIN AND PERES ATTACK SYRIA, LAUD POSITIONS OF
EGYPTIAN REGIME AND ASSERT THAT SINAI AGREEMENT AND CON-
FESSIONAL STRIFE IN LEBANON HAVE LEFT ISRAEL IN COMFORTABLE
MILITARY SITUATION." EARLY MORNING RADIO COMMENTARY AUG. 7
BITTERLY ATTACKED SADAT IN CONNECTION WITH CONTENT OF
CONFESSIONS BY IRAQI SOLDIERS CAPTURED IN LEBANON WHO
CLAIMED THEY SENT THERE VIA EGYPT. RADIO CLAIMED,
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"SADAT AND BKR HAVE COMBINED FORCES TO KILL CHIRSTIANS

IN LEBANON." COMMENTARY CONCLUDED THAT SADAT'S CLAIM AS ARAB PROGRESSIVE EXPOSED IN VIEW ISRAELI PRAISE AND SADAT'S ACTIONS COORDINATED WITH IRAQI REGIME IN LEBANON.

2. PRESS REPORTED EVACUATION OF NEARLY 90 PERSONS FROM TELL ZAATAR AUG. 6, AND MAJ. GEN. GHUNAYM'S STATEMENT THAT ASF INCABLE OF ENFORCING ORDER IN LEBANON UNTIL CEASEFIRE OBSERVED. GEMAYEL-SALAM MEETING REPORTED BY PRESS. MEDIA CITED KARAME'S APPEAL FOR REVIVAL OF LEBANON'S PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS.

3. AUG. 8 MEDIA REPRTED THAT PRES. ASAD RECEIVED IMAM MUSA SADR PREVIOUS DAY TO REVIEW LATEST EVENTS IN LEBANON.

4. COMMENT: RADIO ATTACK ON SADAT PERSONALLY ADDS ANOTHER DEGREE OF INTENSITY TO RESUMED SYRIAN AND EGYPTIAN PROPAGANDA EXCHANGES.
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